

cupc highlights

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anniversary

This is a little sidenote from Lori – sneaking it in when Anni’s not looking. This is the first anniversary of CUPC Highlights and we all owe a big thanks to Anni for her leadership on this effort! Thank you Anni!

honors

Let’s give a big round of applause for **Terry McCabe**, who was elected to be a [2020 AAAS Fellow!](#) This is quite an achievement, especially since it is unusual for a cultural anthropologist to get this kind of honor. Read all about it in the [College of Arts and Sciences magazine article](#). A virtual induction ceremony will be held on Feb. 13, 2021.

(Fun fact: in 1878, inventor Thomas Edison was elected an AAAS Fellow.)



Terry (3rd from right) with his research team in Africa.

A [research poster](#) by **David Cook-Martin** and Anastasiia Zubareva (Univ. of Limerick) has been recognized by the [All-Ireland Psychology Student Congress 2020](#) for the Postgraduate Highly Commended category. The poster is for their ongoing project "Fostering Refugee-Inclusion: The Role of Self-Affirmation and Perspective-Taking on Intergroup Prosociality", which explores the effects of interventions, in order to change the attitudes towards Syrian refugees.

~ Bravo David!



panel participation and invited talks

This past Tues, the PAA panel [Presidential Address Topics: Where Are They Now?](#) took place. **Jane Menken** presented on her original 1985 PAA presidential address, and PhD Sociology candidate **Andrea Tilstra** provided comments/questions on [Arland Thornton's](#) 2001 presidential address. Folks who are interested in watching can access it [here on YouTube](#). (Jane’s comments begin at roughly -1:27, Andrea’s at -50:28.)

recently published papers



Using data from a large sample of interviews with Texas prisoners, which were conducted a week preceding their release, and then reinterviewed 10 months later upon leaving prison, **David Pyrooz**, along with coauthor Scott Decker (ASU) were able to develop a theoretical model, examining continuity and change in activism and radicalism intentions of those prisoners. Their findings are presented in their paper [The imprisonment-extremism nexus: Continuity and change in activism and radicalism intentions in a longitudinal study of prisoner reentry](#), published in *PLoS One*.

HOT off the press! Published in *PLoS One* is **Scott Ortman's** coauthored paper [Cities: Complexity, theory and history](#).

Adam Lippert and coauthors have been exploring the many factors that play a role in young adults' BMI (Body Mass Index), reflected in their new paper [The Relative Contributions of Socioeconomic and Genetic Factors to Variations in Body Mass Index Among Young Adults](#), published in *American Journal of Epidemiology*.

media coverage



If you LISTEN to the segment ["Ask an Expert"](#), from last week's NPR radio program "Science Friday", you just might recognize the voice of the guest speaker talking about the health impacts of wildfires. But if you just can't figure it out, [WATCH the interview here](#) and you'll be able to SEE who it is – yep, our very own **Colleen Reid**. Enjoy!

You've heard it over-and-over-and-over...and OVER again: wear a mask! social distance! wash your hands! Officials at all levels of Colorado government, all the way up to Gov. Jared Polis, have repeatedly stressed the importance of people taking individual responsibility to stop the spread of the virus. But has it worked? In a recent Daily Camera article ["In public health, personal responsibility message touted by Boulder County, others has mixed success"](#), **Stef Mollborn** and **Lori Peek** lend their expertise about the hard realities of public health and personal responsibility during this pandemic.

"What worries me is when we only talk about what individuals can be doing, that's not something that's the kind of multilevel solution that's going to get us through this thing," says Mollborn.

And this past week, **Stef** and PhD Sociology student **Josh Goode** were interviewed by *The Colorado Daily* about their research on digital technology use and the effects on children: ["CU Boulder study shows screen time for children should not worry parents"](#). **Ade Modile** is also part of this research team. Touching on the same vein in *CU Boulder Today's* recent article, [Parental restrictions on childhood tech use have few lasting effects](#), **Stefanie** and **Josh** continue to point out that their data suggests most American teens are not becoming irrevocably addicted to technology after all.

CUPC proposal submissions

~ fingers crossed!

CUPC PI: Colleen Reid

Project Title: "Informing School Decision-making during Wildfire Events: evaluation of indoor PM2.5 exposures and associated health impacts in children"

Funding Agency: The Environmental Protection Agency (Science to Achieve Results (STAR) Program)

CUPC Amount Requested: \$549,919

CUPC PI: Stefanie Mollborn / PhD Sociology student Kim Truong-vu

Project Title: "Negotiating Vaccines: HPV Vaccine Choices and Barriers"

Funding Agency: The National Academies Ford Foundation Dissertation Fellowship Program

CUPC Amount Requested: \$28,000 stipend